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Applicant : BURKHARDT, Steffen et al.  
Applic. No.: PCT/EP00/05085  
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Title : METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE PROCESS-OPTIMIZING  
SETTING OF PARAMETERS OF A PRODUCTION PROCESS

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents,  
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application as follows:

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